#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

#### **International Trade Administration**

[A-549-502]

Circular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes from Thailand: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2021-2022

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily finds that the sole exporter subject to this review, Thai Premium Pipe Co. Ltd. (TPP), made sales of subject merchandise at less than normal value during the period of review (POR) March 1, 2021, through February 28, 2022. We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

**DATES:** Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*]. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas Schauer, AD/CVD Operations, Office I, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0410.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### **Background**

On March 11, 1986, Commerce published in the *Federal Register* an antidumping duty order on Circular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes (CWP) from Thailand.<sup>1</sup> On March 3, 2022, we published in the *Federal Register* a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the *Order*.<sup>2</sup> On May 13, 2022, based on a timely request for administrative review,

<sup>1</sup> See Antidumping Duty Order; Circular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes from Thailand, 51 FR 8341 (March 11, 1986) (Order).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity To Request Administrative Review and Join Annual Inquiry Service List, 87 FR 12086 (March 3, 2022).

Commerce initiated an administrative review of TPP.<sup>3</sup> On November 7, 2022, Commerce extended the period for issuing the preliminary results of this review by 120 days to no later than March 31, 2023.<sup>4</sup> For a more complete description of the events between the initiation of this review and these preliminary results, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>5</sup>

The products covered by the *Order* are CWP from Thailand. For a full description of the scope of this *Order*, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>6</sup>

### **Methodology**

Scope of the *Order* 

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). We calculated export price in accordance with section 772 of the Act, normal value is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act.

For a full description of the methodology underlying these preliminary results, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is attached as the Appendix to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is made available to the public via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <a href="https://access.trade.gov">https://access.trade.gov</a>. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is available at <a href="https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx">https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx</a>.

### Preliminary Results of Review

Commerce preliminarily determines that the following weighted-average dumping margin exists for the period March 1, 2021, through February 28, 2022:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 87 FR 29280, 29282 (May 13, 2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> *See* Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2021-2022," dated November 7, 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Memorandum, "Circular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes from Thailand: Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2021-2022," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See Preliminary Decision Memorandum at "Scope of the Order."

Producer or Exporter	Weighted-Average Dumping Margin (percent)
Thai Premium Pipe Co. Ltd.	0.71

#### Disclosure

We intend to disclose the calculations performed to parties within five days after public announcement of the preliminary results.<sup>7</sup>

#### **Public Comment**

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c), interested parties may submit case briefs not later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than seven days after the date for filing case briefs.<sup>8</sup> Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) a statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.<sup>9</sup>

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, filed electronically via ACCESS. Requests should contain: (1) the party's name, address and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the briefs.

An electronically filed submission must be received successfully in its entirety by Commerce's electronic records system, ACCESS, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Note that Commerce has temporarily modified certain of its requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information until further notice. <sup>10</sup>

<sup>8</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(d).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See 19 CFR 351.224(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID-19; Extension of Effective Period, 85 FR 41363 (July 10, 2020).

#### Final Results of Review

Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised in any written briefs, not later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, unless extended, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

#### Assessment Rates

Upon completion of the final results, Commerce shall determine and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review. If TPP's weighted-average dumping margin is not zero or *de minimis* (*i.e.*, less than 0.50 percent) in the final results of this review, we intend to calculate importer-specific *ad valorem* assessment rates on the basis of the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for each importer's examined sales and the total entered value of those same sales in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). If either the respondent's weighted-average dumping margin or an importer-specific assessment rate is zero or *de minimis* in the final results of review, we intend to instruct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries without regards to antidumping duties.

For entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by TPP for which it did not know that the merchandise was destined to the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate unreviewed entries at the all-others rate if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction.<sup>13</sup>

The final results of this administrative review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by the final results of this review and for future deposits of estimated duties, where applicable.<sup>14</sup> Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this

<sup>12</sup> See Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Proceedings: Final Modification, 77 FR 8101, 8103 (February 14, 2012).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See 19 CFR 351.212(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> For a full discussion of this practice, see Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003)...

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> See section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.212(b).

review in the *Federal Register*. If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (*i.e.*, within 90 days of publication).

### Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective upon publication in the *Federal Register* of the notice of final results of administrative review for all shipments of CWP from Thailand entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication as provided for by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate for TPP will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margin established in the final results of this review (except, if that rate is *de minimis* within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), then the cash deposit rate will be zero); (2) for merchandise exported by a company not covered in this review but covered in a prior completed segment of the proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published in the completed segment for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review or another completed segment of this proceeding, but the producer is, then the cash deposit rate will be the company-specific rate established for the completed segment for the most recent period for the producer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other producers or exporters will continue to be 15.67 percent, the all-others rate established in the less-than-fair-value investigation.<sup>15</sup>

These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

#### Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> See Order.

requirement could result in Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

# Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these preliminary results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213(h) and 351.221(b)(4).

**Dated:** March 23, 2023.

# Lisa W. Wang,

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

# **Appendix**

# List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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